

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PATENT**

Applicants:	Bishop, et al.	Docket No.:	10655.7600
Serial No.:	09/704,379	Examiner:	Patel, Jagdish
Filed:	November 2, 2000	Group Art Unit:	3693
Title:	SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR FACILITATING COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN PARTIES RESIDING AT REMOTE LOCATIONS	Confirmation No.:	4909

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

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Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 30, 2006, of which this Reply is within the shortened three month statutory period for reply, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.